

WORLD FEARS OVER HAINAN AIR CLASH

U.S. Protests: Search To Continue

Washington, July 26. United States Secretary of State John Foster Dulles has asked the British Government through the British Ambassador to Washington, Sir Roger Makins, to protect on behalf of the United States the Chinese Communist Government on the incident involving the death of three American citizens, when a C.P.A. airliner was shot down near Hainan last Friday, according to a well-informed source here this afternoon.

A State Department spokesman would not confirm the report.

The Navy announced late today that Admiral Robert Carney, Chief of Naval Operations, had directed that the search for survivors of the British airliner be continued off Hainan, despite the shooting incident.—United Press.

Comment of the Day:

A Flimsy Excuse

THE letter of apology by Communist China's Vice Foreign Minister, Mr. Chang Han-fu, to Mr. Humphrey Trevelyan on the shooting down of the Cathay Pacific DC-4 airliner, will be welcomed by all—but with many reservations. Before Communist China can convince the world of her desire to make amends for this outrage she will need to give at least three guarantees: (1) that full compensation is forthcoming to the injured and the relatives of those killed and for the loss of the airliner; (2) that the pilots responsible are punished for their gross blunder in mistaking a plane prominently marked with the Union Jack for a Chinese Nationalist plane; and (3) that no such incidents will ever be allowed to occur again. It is understood that Mr. Chang Han-fu's letter is an immediate reply to the British Government's protest and that a full investigation will have to be made before the Chinese People's Republic can announce its plans for compensation. Obviously the Communist Government has been embarrassed by the incident for, as we suggested yesterday, it has tended to make Mr. Chou En-lai, after his recent pronouncements on easing world tension and improved prospects of peace, sound like a hypocrite and to make many people doubt the sincerity of the Chinese Communists' intentions.

YET there are some questionable points in Mr. Chang Han-fu's letter which deserve a closer examination. He points out in his "account of the circumstances" surrounding the attack that "the Chinese people rejoice at the easing of international tension through the recent holding of the Geneva conference and the restoration of peace in Indo-China". A fine sentiment. Yet on Saturday the official Communist Party newspaper, the Peking People's Daily called for the "liberation" of Formosa. The Chinese people would liberate Formosa, the newspaper said, and its efforts would not cease until victory was attained. How can the two statements be reconciled? Is not the latter after all only a threat to create new tensions in the Far East, knowing, as Peking does, of the strong ties between the Nationalist Government on Formosa and the United States? The Chinese Nationalist Government is not doubted for a

Reactions From Five Capitals Reflect Growing Alarm

"NEW TENSIONS IN FAR EAST"

Widespread fears were reported in world capitals yesterday following the announcement that two American carrier-based aircraft had shot down two Communist fighters which attacked them while they were carrying out search and rescue operations for survivors of the C.P.A. airliner.

Here is a cross-section of the reports:

London:—The clash generated alarm in Britain in the wake of the quick Communist apology for shooting down the British airliner. There was no official comment but the alarm was reflected in "screaming newspaper headlines" and some parliamentary reaction.

Washington:—Although members of both parties in Congress approved the way U.S. navy planes stood up to attacks by Communist

fighters, some members expressed concern that such incidents might set off World War III.

Paris:—War-weary French officials criticised America for "playing the Communist game of shooting first and asking later."

Manila:—The news caused a deep concern here only just short of alarm. The U.S. announcement was regarded by seasoned local observers as bringing international tension to "the most dangerous point" since the invasion of South Korea by the North in 1950. Observers however did not believe the incident would spark off a new armed conflict in the Far East just yet.

Tokyo:—Japanese circles expressed fear that the incident may possibly destroy whatever gains were made by the Indo-China armistice in relaxing Asian tension. These circles said the "action would not win America any new friends in Asia."

London, July 26. The China Sea clash between American and Chinese planes generated alarm in Britain in the wake of the quick Communist apology for shooting down a British airliner.

The British Foreign Office chose to say nothing. However the alarm was reflected in screaming newspaper headlines and some Parliamentary reaction.

A former Labour Minister of State, Mr. Kenneth Younger, told the United Press he would deplore any American "provocation" now that Red China had apologized. He said, however, he did not know the full facts and that the U.S. planes were completely within their rights if they were attacked while going about their own business of searching.

Most other Members of Parliament refused to comment until they could study the statement by the American Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, on the incident. The clash is bound to create concern and some alarm in Britain at a time when Britain is trying to improve her relations with Communist China. Trade missions are being exchanged, a British Labour Party delegation is shortly to visit China and a Chinese diplomatic representative is coming here shortly.

CHANGE SOUGHT

A Washington report says Britain is urging the United States to moderate her attitude to Communist China.

The moderation plea was quite unofficial, and made during private talks between British and American diplomatic officials on the other in Washington and London.

According to the source, Britain is also trying to get the Chinese Communist Government to do everything possible to avoid a repetition of the incident in which Communist fighters shot down a free-world British commercial airliner on the regular Bangkok-Hongkong run.

U.S. CONCERN

Washington, July 26. Members of both parties in Congress today expressed concern over the report of the shooting down of a British airliner.

London Welcomes Red Reply

London, July 26. Two London evening newspapers, the Standard and the Evening News, today carried leading articles on China's apology for the shooting down of a British airliner only a few hours after the announcement had been made from Peking.

The Evening Standard said: "The comparative speed with which the Chinese have apologized must be welcomed."

"However some scepticism will remain. It is difficult to see how a civilian airliner could be mistaken for a military bomber."

The Evening News called the Chinese apology for the "wanton and barbaric shooting down" of a British airliner "prompt and remarkably unequivocal."

It said the Peking Government's offer of sympathy and compensation was "warmly and in keeping with the current Communist 'peace offensive'."

Delay In Vietnam Cease-Fire

Paris, July 27. An unexplained hour's delay in the cease-fire in northern Vietnam was reported in a despatch reaching Paris from Indo-China early today just as the truce was due to begin.

The new truce time is 8 a.m. local time (midnight GMT), according to a French High Command spokesman, a Hanoi despatch said.

The full session of the Franco-Vietnamese truce conference at Trung Gia arranged for this morning has also been postponed until this afternoon. It was thought in Hanoi it would give final form to the truce.

Commissioners are to supervise the application of the cease-fire.

The conference will meet in private session this morning to work out technical details.

A slackening of Vietnamese pressure throughout Indo-China was reported in the last French communiqué received here before the deadline arranged at Geneva. But harassing attacks and minor clashes were reported everywhere in Laos, south and central Vietnam as well as in the north.

69 SORTIES

Chief objectives of the last Vietnam attacks were Hungry, southern, and the French perimeter in the Red River delta, Vinh Yen and Son Tay, all held by units of the Vietnamese Army.

French naval aircraft went to the aid of the Vietnamese flying 69 sorties on close support missions or to protect helicopter units.

General Paul Ely, French Commander-in-Chief, handed over the full text of the cease-fire agreement, for Laos to the Laotian Government when he visited Vientiane, administrative capital of Laos, for the first time today. The cease-fire in Laos will not be complete for another week owing to the difficulty of communicating with front line troops scattered through the jungle covered mountains.

France and Laos will remain associated, General Ely told a gathering of Frenchmen in Vientiane. He added that France would continue to be the protector of Laos and Laos will be safeguarded.

DEEP CONCERN

Manila, July 26. The news caused a deep concern in Manila only just short of alarm.

The dramatic announcement of United States Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, was inevitably followed by shocked local observers in making international tension reach the "most dangerous point" since the invasion of South Korea in 1950.

London Theories On Air Incidents

Linked With Red Campaign To Take Over Formosa

London, July 27. The latest shooting incidents involving Chinese planes were attributed by Far Eastern experts here today to intensified air activity to bolster up Peking's new campaign for taking over Formosa.

They pointed out that the shooting down of the British plane on Friday came only a day after the Chinese had opened up an all-out propaganda campaign demanding the surrender of Formosa.

Today the New China News Agency quoted an editorial in the Chinese Communist People's Daily which said: "The liberation of Formosa and the defeat of American imperialist aggression and subversive activities are the most important tasks facing China."

The New China News Agency indicated last night that Communist gunners have orders to shoot down non-Communist aircraft in the vicinity of the Communist mainland.

It quoted with approval the statement of a young Communist Chinese pilot: "If the United States imperialists order the Chiang Kai-shek brigades to send any more planes in provocative action against us, we will shoot them down as we have done before."

The agency attacked United States plans for concluding a bilateral security pact with Chiang's Nationalist Government of Formosa. It said this had added to "the determination of the coastal defence units of the Chinese People's Liberation Army to maintain their vigilance and work for the liberation of Taiwan (Formosa)."

DETERMINED

Thus it was argued here the bullets of the Communist gunners were linked directly with the Formosa campaign.

Many similar statements have been issued from Peking during the past few days.

As a mass rally last Friday night, Vice-Chairman of China's Peace Committee, Mr. Peng Chen, said the people of China were determined to "liberate" Formosa.

"We will not relax or stop until we have achieved this aim," he said.

The same evening the New China News Agency put out an article under the heading of "The United States is planning war on Geneva" which said: "The United States is planning war on Geneva." It said Washington was "redoubling its efforts to use Taiwan as a base to extend aggression against China."

WELL-BRIEFED

It is believed that Communist gunners on the land and in the air are well briefed in the current political line.

The question facing Mao Tse-tung, China's Supreme leader, is whether to try to "shoot his way" into the United Nations by an assault on Formosa or use the non-violent diplomatic method of gaining a UN seat.

Diplomatic experts point out that if the Communists replace the Nationalists in the UN as the legitimate Government of China, General Chiang Kai-shek would lose his diplomatic argument for remaining on Formosa.

The 1943 Cairo Agreement clearly stipulated that Formosa, then occupied by Japan, would be returned to the legitimate Government of China at the end of hostilities.

The Communists have revived the Formosa question after months of agitation for a United Nations seat. If the door to UN is barred, they may be forced to resort to force to gain the island.

This means they would have to get past the US Seventh Fleet, patrolling the Formosa Strait. Chinese Nationalists believe that neither, than risk a third

Raspberry Called 'Lloyd George'

Vienna, July 26. A large raspberry developed in Czechoslovakia has been named "Lloyd George," according to the Prague newspaper, Lidove Demokraticke—China Mail Special.

Big Three To Reject Red Proposal

Washington, July 26.

The United States, Great Britain and France agreed today to ask the other N.A.T.O. nations for unanimous support in rejecting the Soviet proposal for a conference on a new European collective system, according to usually reliable sources.

They said Western Germany and Austria would also be fully consulted on the proposal.

They said the three Powers would submit the Soviet proposal to the N.A.T.O. Council, where it will be considered by the 14 N.A.T.O. members.

The sources understood that the United States, supported by Britain and France, attaches great importance to consultations with the small N.A.T.O. nations and getting their views on the Russian proposal, which is believed in Washington to be clearly designed to break up the unity of the free nations.

It is observed that in the note which it sent, making its proposal, the Soviet Union labelled the N.A.T.O. an "aggressive" organization directed against the Soviet Union.

WOULD ADD WEIGHT

The sources said the Big Three powers felt that the other nations would want to make a declaration categorically rejecting the imputations contained in the Soviet note against N.A.T.O.

These three powers also consider that a N.A.T.O. declaration would add considerable weight and prestige to the identical notes on which the experts of the three powers began work this afternoon.

They said it was too early at present to forecast when the notes would be ready, but in view of the determination to consult N.A.T.O. it might take about two weeks. They said there was no particular hurry.

They also said Chancellor Adenauer of West Germany would be fully consulted on the Soviet proposal for "a new Europe" and so would the Australian Chancellor, Dr. Julius Raab.

The sources believed these moves would show Soviet Russia that the West is unanimous in its views on the Soviet proposal.—United Press.

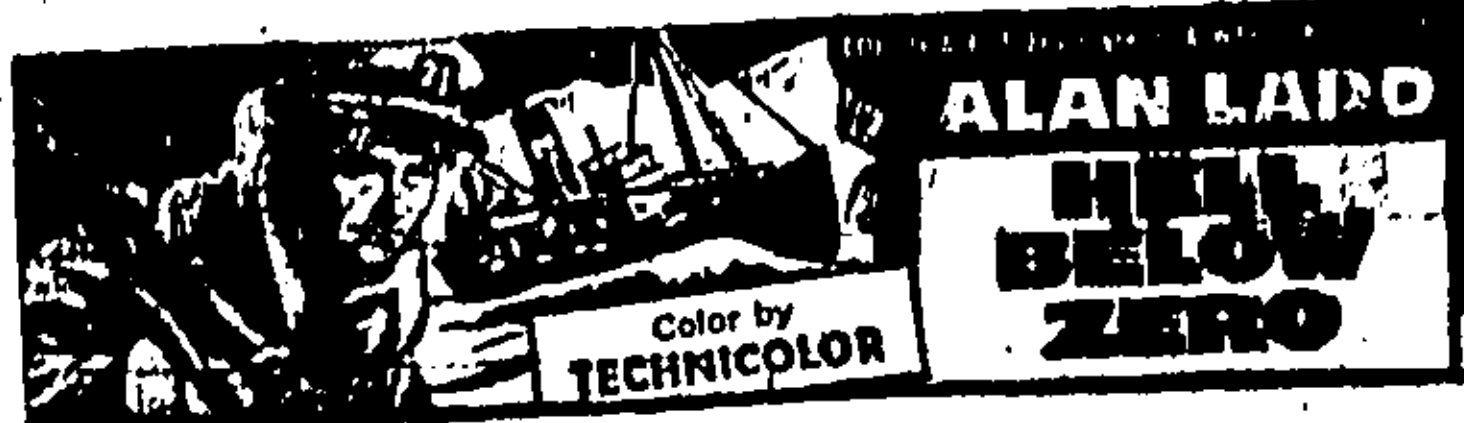
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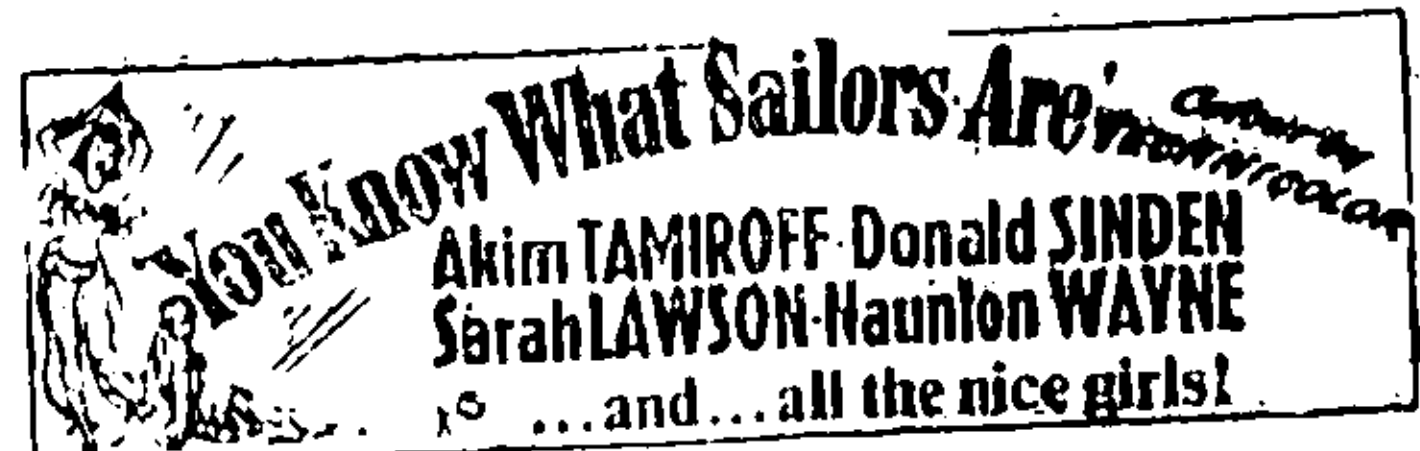
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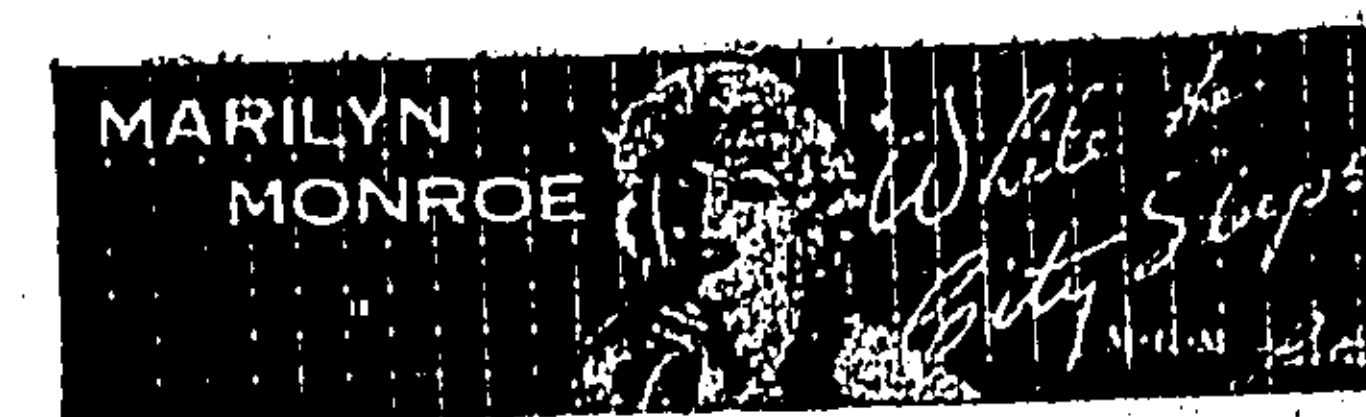
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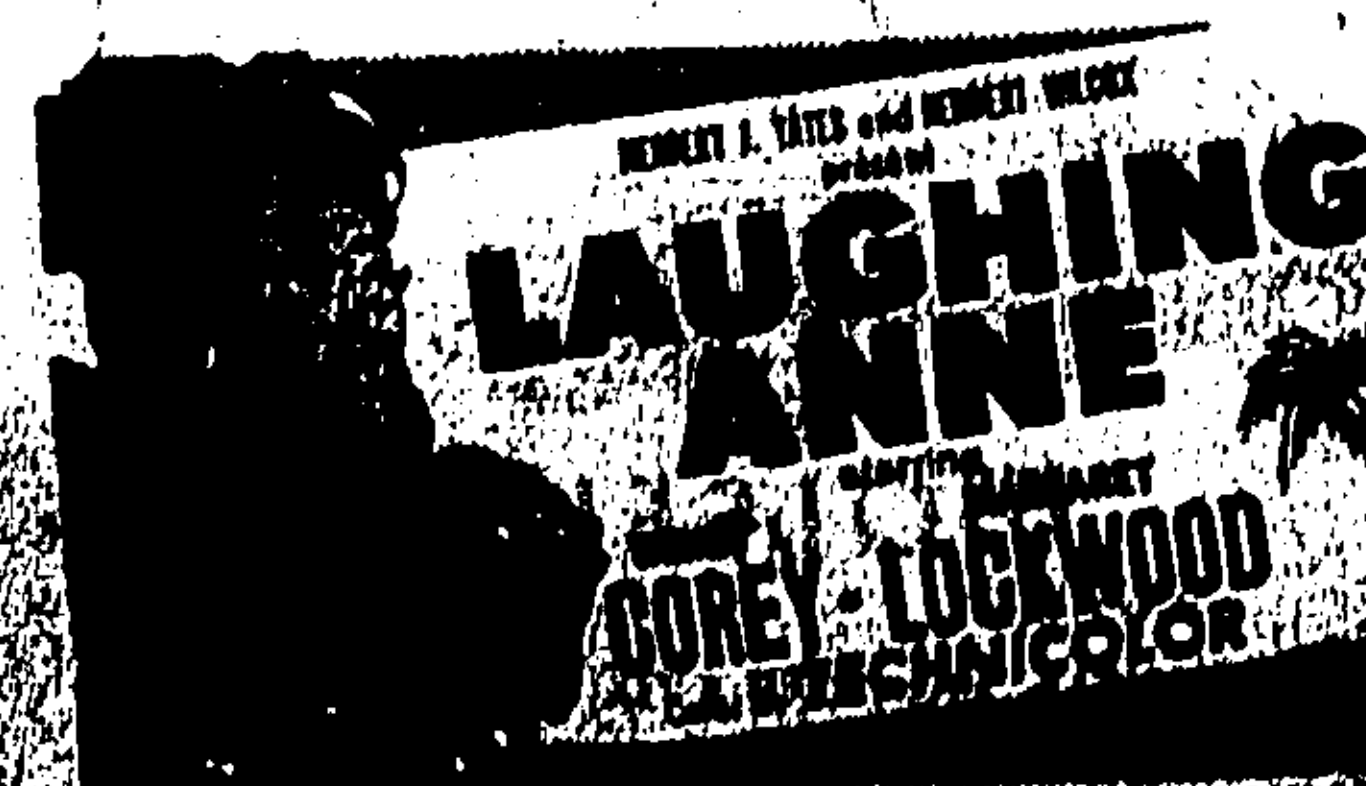
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Egyptian Govt Grants New Concessions

Cairo, July 28.

The Egyptian Government, aware of the truth of the experts' saying that an oil industry which exploits known resources without looking for new ones is a "wasting asset", has given the signal for an all-out drive to make Egypt self-sufficient in oil.

For the past five years, there has been no large scale oil exploration work done in Egypt.

The country's present needs amount to about 3,000,000 tons of oil a year. Two thirds of this is produced in the country and the remaining one third has to be imported.

Some of the principal sufferers from the repressive Law of Mining and Company passed in 1947 and 1948 have been Anglo-Egyptian Oilfields Ltd and the Socony Vacuum Company of Egypt.

Under a settlement recently reached with the Government, however, these two companies will now be able to resume their exploration and prospecting programmes and try to compensate for the five lost years.

The companies have already spent £4,000,000 on preliminary exploration and prospecting work in 61 areas in the Sinai Desert and Red Sea areas, and they have also signed a lease for development of the oilfield already discovered at Ras Matruh, on the eastern shore of the Gulf of Suez.

During the next three years, the companies will put into operation a development programme providing for additional expenditure of about £2,000,000 on exploration. A similar sum will be spent on modernising the Anglo-Egyptian Oilfields refinery at Suez, and improving welfare facilities for labour.

The first year will see ten or more exploration wells being drilled in the Sinai and Eastern desert districts of the Gulf of Suez and in the Red Sea region.

IN ASSOCIATION Anglo-Egyptian Oilfields and the Socony Vacuum Company operate in association in the Sinai fields. The Red Sea fields are operated by Anglo-Egyptian Oilfields alone.

The capital of Anglo-Egyptian Oilfields has been doubled and now amounts to nearly £4,000,000. Under the new agreement, the Egyptian Government will own 300,000 shares, or 10 per cent of the company's capital. The only known new oil source discovered in Egypt

WESTERN DESERT

But the aspect of the new search for oil in Egypt which will undoubtedly be followed with the greatest interest is the exploratory work to be undertaken in the Western Desert by the American Conoco Petroleum Corporation.

Under a concession granted some months ago by the Egyptian Government, the Corporation has the right to search for oil in a huge rectangle stretching west from points near Alexandria and south of Cairo to the Libyan frontier.

The concession is for 30 years, renewable for another 30 years and it is expected that millions of dollars will be spent seeking oil in the desert lands which once formed part of the Roman Empire's huge North African

empire. After the signature of the contract between the Government and the Conoco Corporation, Dr Hilmy Bahgat Badawi, Minister of Commerce and Industry, declared, "The agreement is not unfair to Egypt. On the contrary it should be beneficial. We studied every line of the contract with the utmost care, and have been assured by our desire to exploit our natural resources without being exploited ourselves."

Egypt's military regime is determined that, if at all possible, enough oil will be produced in the country to meet the country's growing requirements. — China Mail Special.

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Still Raining In England

London, July 26.

A daylong downpour delayed ships, held up aircraft, spoiled sport and dampened the spirits of Britain's holidaymakers today, the third day of continuous rain.

It prevented play in both Test matches—England vs Pakistan at Old Trafford, Manchester, and England women vs New Zealand women at the Oval, Kensington.

Every first class cricket match was affected. In at least four county matches there was no play at all.

The new Peninsular and Oriental cargo steamer, Ballarat, was prevented by bad weather from leaving the Humber on her maiden voyage to Australia. She is expected to sail from Birmingham in time for Fremantle tomorrow morning.

Rain and mist delayed incoming planes from Paris, Amsterdam and Brussels this morning at London airports.

The weather held up for the fourth successive day today the world gliding championships which began here last Tuesday. Only two days of flying have now been completed.

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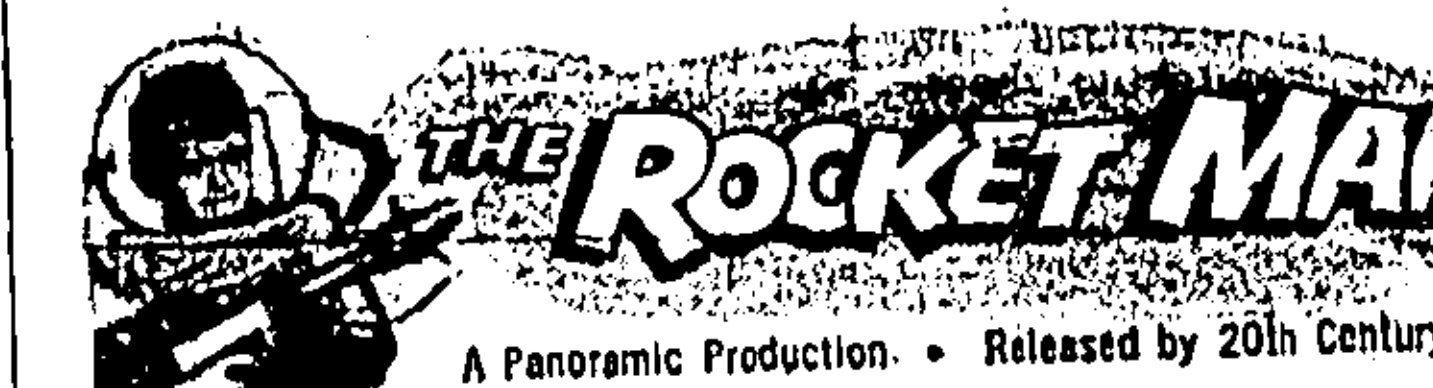
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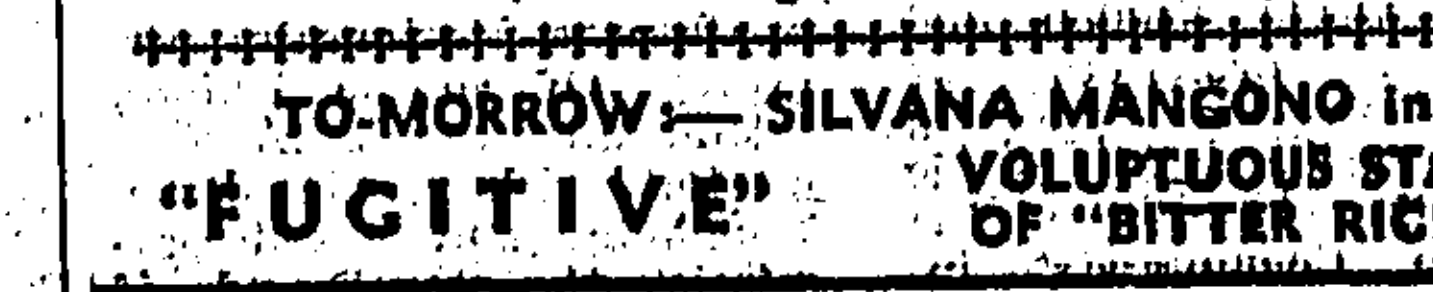
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FOR the last eight weeks a 72-year-old scientist called Everard Digby has been serving as a human guinea-pig in a medical experiment aimed at restoring him to the physical condition he had in middle life.

A leading London specialist in old-age research is attempting to put Mr Digby's aging processes into reverse so that the ravages of the last few years can be undone.

If the experiment works and can be repeated Mr Digby may reach 100 with the body of a man in his sixties.

Experiments on this man are charting the way to longer life for all—

by CHAPMAN PINCHER

Doctors are calling this turning back of the years

reversion instead of rejuvenation (the restoration of youth) which they believe to be impossible.

Reversion corresponds to the decarbonising of a motor-car. It could never make the body new again, but might make it run better and last longer.

Mr Digby, convinced that some degree of reversion is immediately possible, is being given special gland extracts, drugs, and vitamins at a London hospital.

The theory behind this treatment is soundly based on newly won knowledge of the causes of aging which will be revealed in greater detail at an international congress of old-age specialists which is going on in London.

Thyroid

EXPERIMENTS carried out at a hospital in St. Louis, U.S., have shown that certain hormones—gland extracts—definitely have the power to put some aging changes into reverse.

After giving hormones to 30 women whose average age was 75, scientists, led by Professor William Kountz, reported a surprising improvement in the blood supply to the skin, an increase of the number of red blood cells, and in some cases—even restoration of hair colour.

There was also mental improvement.

In elderly men hormone injections build up muscle and other tissues, doctors claim.

One of the hormones being given to Mr Digby is an

extract of the thyroid gland located in the neck. The gradual reduction of oxygen supply to the tissues is believed to be a potent cause of aging. Giving thyroid extract improves this supply by speeding up the whole body chemistry.

Experiments, not yet confirmed, suggest that thyroid may also protect the arteries from certain signs of degeneration.

No hormone treatment is without some danger, so reversion attempts will have to be carried out under the strictest medical supervision.

Promising new experiments in giving hormones by grafting glands into the body, as was attempted by the famous Parisian surgeon, Serge Voronov, are in progress at a Glasgow hospital.

There Dr. Erich Gehringer has tried the effects of transplanting youthful adrenals—glands which produce cortisone and other hormones—into the bodies of aged animals. He has found that this seems to increase the life-span of white rats by about 50 percent.

"Banks"

THE question immediately raised by this finding is: "Where could the youthful organs come from if the process ever became applicable to humans?"

It has already been answered by another group of scientists, led by Dr. A. S. Parkes, of the National Institute for Medical Research. They have devised methods of keeping in cold storage adrenal glands and other tissues taken from young people killed in accidents.

"Banks" of human spare parts are already being built up for use in grafting operations at several British hospitals.

Lengths of arteries from these banks have already saved the lives of many elderly people.

Doctors are satisfied that "hardening" of the arteries, one of the most serious consequences of growing old, is partly caused by the gradual deposition of a gummy substance called cholesterol in the blood vessel walls.

Canadian scientists led by Professor Charles Best have confirmed that this can be prevented in animals by adding a substance called choline to the diet. So some drug treatment to remove the cholesterol which

is already there may be possible.

The effect of transfusing young blood into old people has not yet been tried, though there is strong test-tube evidence that it might have remarkable results.

Mr Digby believes that age might be rapidly reversed if old people were occasionally given treatment with an artificial kidney machine.

There is much evidence that defective kidneys, which can no longer filter out waste products efficiently, are one of the main causes of ageing.

The filter

SO by passing the blood through an artificial kidney—a filtering device through which a patient's blood stream can safely be short-circuited—the body might be cleansed of some of the poisonous by-products which make it grow old.

Studies carried out by Dr. Albert Lansing, of St. Louis, have shown that calcium is one of the materials which collect in the tissues as the body ages. Small animals called rodents lived much longer when not allowed to accumulate calcium.

Research findings to be disclosed at the conference clearly show that psychological factors are as important in ensuring long life as any drug treatment devised.

Examination of the brains of people whose habits and outlook were known has shown that the determination to remain active seems to stave off nerve-cell changes responsible for mental deterioration.

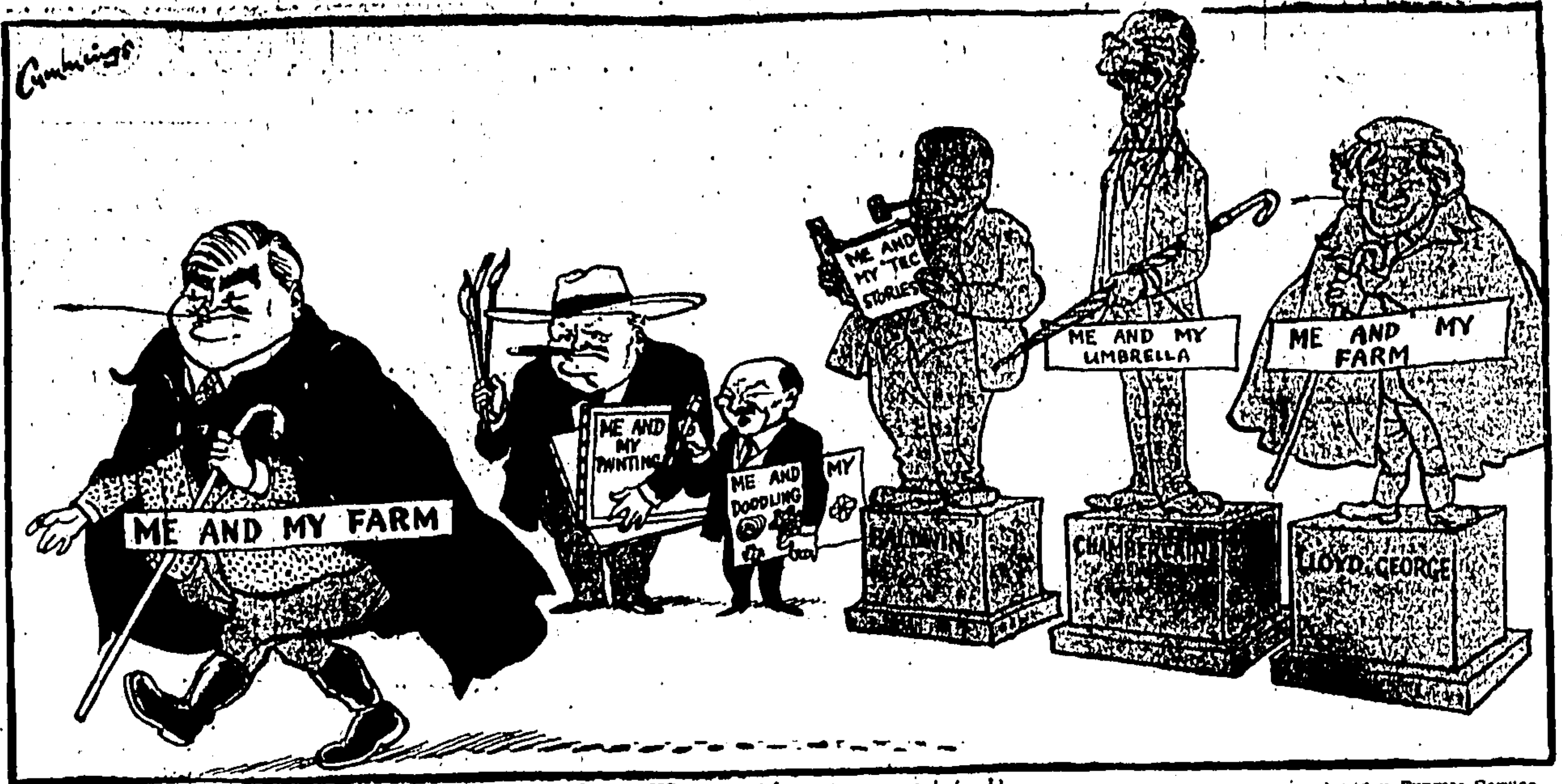
The will

MR Digby, who is still working full time as a consultant scientist in an office off Whitehall, certainly has the will to keep going. He believes he is already feeling better since he started his reversion treatment.

His chances of living to a hundred, however, will also greatly depend on his inherited make-up.

After full-scale medical examinations of active centenarians doctors are certain that some people are lucky enough to be born with body "engines" of a superior type which go on working far beyond normal life span without medical aid.

TOMORROW: Can the doctors keep us young?



"But, Winston, it's not even original"

London Express Service



JOACHIM VON RIBBENTROP
In a crisis he asked for an audience.

THERE were few matters upon which the Nazi leaders could ever agree. But they found no difficulty in unanimously delecting Joachim von Ribbentrop. Only Hitler found some mysterious merit in his Foreign Minister, and the answer must be that dictators suffer sycophants gladly.

The Ribbentrop Memoirs confirm the verdict of towering inanity that history has already erected as his epitaph. There is neither dignity nor credibility in this defence of a career that is remarkable only in that it existed at all.

For Ribbentrop was neither a professional diplomat nor a long-time Nazi.

The son of a middle-class army family (the title of nobility "von" was irregularly adopted by an uncle), he decided to go into business when his father left the army after a political quarrel.

As a young man, he travelled extensively through France, England, and worked for four years in Canada and America at such varied jobs as bank clerk, car checker and reporter. The outbreak of the 1914-18 war took him back to Germany.

Out Of Army

DEFEAT ended his army career, and with the help of a marriage to a champagne heiress had built up by the middle 'twenties one of the big-

gest export-import businesses in Germany.

Ribbentrop explains that it was his connections with England and France that made him take up politics. He never missed an opportunity to tell foreigners about the iniquities of the Versailles treaty. Soon he was involved in trying to bring about a coalition between the rightwing Nationalist parties and Hitler.

It was not until August 1932, when, as an intermediary of von Papen's, he first met Adolf Hitler. He was "strongly impressed."

After Hitler became Chancellor, Ribbentrop was ensconced as a kind of personal agent of the Fuehrer's, specialising on foreign affairs. Since Hitler deeply distrusted his advisers in the Foreign Office, the ex-wine salesman was able to build up his own tiny empire known as the Ribbentrop Bureau.

His sudden rise puzzled even the most senior mem-

bers of the Nazi hierarchy. "No one had ever heard of him, and all of a sudden he turned up as an important man in the Foreign Office—practically overnight," said von Schirach, the Hitler Youth leader, at Nuremberg. "All I could determine was that he had placed his house in Munich at the disposal of foreign representatives for negotiations, and suddenly he became a leading diplomat."

Admirer

RIBBENTROP'S own explanation for his appeal to Hitler is odd. "It was the harmony of our views about England which, on the first evening spent together, created the seed of confidence between Hitler and myself," he writes.

According to Ribbentrop, Hitler was a most ardent admirer of England and could never hear enough about its institutions and customs. But it was the

English who repeatedly spurned his outstretched hand of friendship.

Reading these incompleted memoirs, most of which were written in Nuremberg gaol, one is almost embarrassed by the clumsy Halo Ribbentrop has tried to fit upon himself. Here is a man almost suffering from an excess of good intentions.

He loved the English and the French, he was a moderating influence on Hitler; he alone told Hitler the truth no matter how unpopular it might be; he knew nothing about the concentration camps; he was always the essence of politeness and correctness when dealing with foreign diplomats.

Very Obtuse

BUT Ribbentrop's ignorance and preposterous logic crams every page. He boasts of his knowledge of England and of the many influential English friends who supported him. When he had negotiated the Anglo-German Naval Treaty in 1935, he says, "the Carlton Hotel was like a dovecote," full of important politicians and publishers eager to congratulate him.

Yet so obtuse was he about English-thinking that he seriously agrees with Hitler that a proposal for putting 12 German divisions at the disposal of Britain to help her preserve her Empire would be an acceptable way of strengthening Anglo-German relations.

He also believed, on practically no evidence, that Edward VIII would have been a strong pro-German influence had he remained on the throne. Perhaps the height of his arrogance and fatuity was his attempt during the abdication crisis to get an audience with the King in the belief that he might be able to offer some useful advice.

Mean Figure

UNFORTUNATELY for Ribbentrop's picture of himself, other people do, have written their memoirs. Sir Neville Henderson describes him as "a combination of vanity, stupidity and superficiality." Goering called him "Germany's No. 1 parrot." Blumkin, a Foreign Office official, said, "He is such an imbecile that he is a freak of nature."

As for Ribbentrop's constant assertion that he was always for friendship with England, he does not bother to explain his attitude in any memorandum on German-British relations, written in 1937 that "every day that our political calculations are not actuated by the fundamental idea that England is our most dangerous enemy would be a gain for our enemies."

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It matters a lot in the world of Japanese fashion models ARE YOU A GARDENIA OR A LILY?

By RICHARD HUGHES

Tokyo. JAPAN's beautiful fashion models, envied as much as movie actresses by the nation's less glamorous but perhaps happier girls, are complaining that financial and romantic heartbreaks outweigh the superficial attractions of their new-found avocation.

They specifically bewail taxation, excessive competition and matrimonial difficulties.

Fashion modelling is a comparatively recent development in Japan, and has been influenced by post-war Western style trends and the presence of American wives of the Occupation and security forces.

Rigidly Classified

There are now about 200 registered fashion models in Tokyo—all of them aged between 20 and 25 and of a high degree of physical attractiveness and intelligence. In typical Japanese fashion, they are rigidly classified into a caste hierarchy measured by their physical

come and—of course—seniority (that indispensable ingredient for Japanese success).

There are four groups in the Tokyo Fashion Model Club: The Chrysanthemum Group—earning a monthly income of more than 100,000 yen, or say £100. (The average monthly basic wage for Japanese men workers is about 24,000 yen).

The Gardenia Group—from 60,000 to 100,000 yen a month.

The Violet Group—from 20,000 to 60,000 yen.

The Lily Group—below 20,000 yen.

Top model in the country is Miss Kimiko Ito, who won third place in the Miss Universe contest at Los Angeles last year.

She is reputed to earn more than \$30,000 a month, and appears to have retained the unspoiled Japanese qualities of charm, delicacy, subtlety, and femininity self-abnegation which enchant most Western men and trouble most Western women.

fashion authorities, with characteristic Japanese attention to detail, have coined the term "hattoshin" to describe them.

"Hattoshin" means, literally, "eight-head-body." It reveals Oriental proportions of the Japanese girl who makes a successful fashion model, able to wear Western-style clothes as effectively as Japanese kimono: the head (from crown to chin) measures exactly one-eighth of the total height.

Men Are Afraid

"I sometimes wish now that I was 'toketoshi' (six-head-body)," says Isono, almost-eyed Keiko Iwami, a Gardenia Group model, expressing the current mood of frustration. "I would then be leading a normal and happier life."

"Now I have become accustomed to the latest Western-style clothes and to luxuries which are not worth the expense."

"Like all Japanese models, I have a handsome, but not too

"Japanese men are afraid of me. And I am ashamed to discover that I now sometimes think that Japanese men are not tall enough because I am 5 ft. 4 in. and like wearing high-heeled shoes."

"Perhaps I would be happier if my face were one-sixth of my height instead of one-eighth and my income only one-eighth of what it is now."

In fact, only six of Tokyo's 200 fashion models are married. And they were married before they began modelling.

"There are not enough eligible Japanese men to marry the models," explained Miss Chiyoko Kawamata, slender beauty who presides over the Tokyo Fashion Model Club.

"Girls who are rich enough are already married or looking only for suitors. And in spite of what foreigners who are sometimes self-satisfied may think, Japanese girls usually prefer Japanese men," she insists.

"Like all Japanese models, I have a handsome, but not too

the Fashion Model Club, the taxation authorities are contending that they should pay an additional 10 percent import. The Club, it is insisted, is not a social organization, but an employment agency, membership of which, by an enigmatic provision of Japanese law, involves additional tax liability.

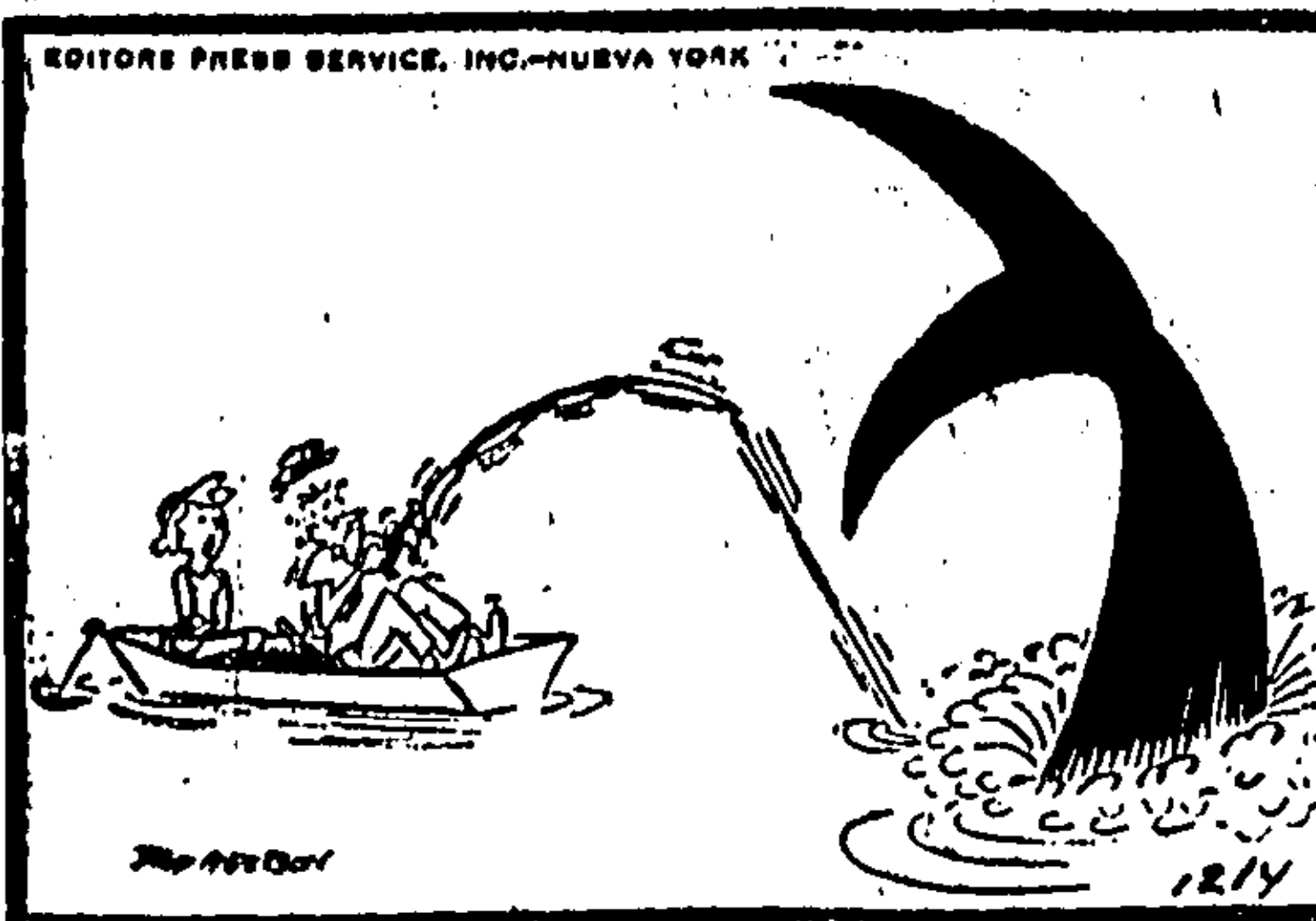
Masculine View

"Many of the girls are saying that they must consequently resign from the Club," signed Miss Kawamata.

"If we models cannot meet among ourselves so that the Chrysanthemum and Gardenia Group girls can help, comfort and advise the Violet and Lily Group members, our last social pleasure will be lost."

A harsh masculine judgment was passed on these feminine beauties of post-war models by tough Keizo Toyoda, of the ultra-nationalist Junshu Seinen Tai (Patriotic Youth Corps).

"Fashion models are an evil Western institution. They lead only to pain and misery," he asserted. "There will be no place for them in the reign of peace."



"And, after you tire it, then what?"

• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

WHEN 1,750 bakers gather in the Pantries at "Tunbridge Wells" next Thursday to sing "Tell me, where is fancy bread?" they will be led by a hospital porter from Uxbridge, Mr Angus Hoff.

Mr Hoff said yesterday: "I have never done anything of this sort before. It will be exciting to see all those bakers. Mr Hoff, who is married to the niece of a Stoke Bailey club-shifter in the firm of Lofton and Fenwick, is planning a holiday at Tunbridge Wells. Asked why so many bakers were needed for a single song, Councillor Turtle said "It works out both ways."

Tra-la-la

When you and I were little boys

They told us "Don't make so much noise!"

Today they tell a child who yells:

"Don't make so many dentists!"

Why not attach noisemakers to all children?

Sent down from Bayreuth

A FELLOW-HACK has revealed that he was Mr Ernest Newman's tag at Bayreuth. One of the duties of the Bayreuth fags is to stop the ears of the musicians with rubber gadgets the moment the loudness of their playing begins to make their noses bleed. This hack one night plugged the ears

of the soprano by mistake. She kept on saying, under her breath, to the tenor, "Sing louder, fool!" The tenor became so angry that he frowned at every phrase of love he had to sing, and finally struck her a glancing blow with his hat. The effect was most amusing. But the careless fag was sacked, and got a job as Bizet's butler.

In passing

IF you except ping-pong golf is the stupidest game in the world. Now that there is an electrically driven club-carrier to save the player fatigue, there will soon be an outcry against having to walk between strokes. Perhaps someone is even now experimenting with a device which will make it possible to play 18 holes electrically, while the players sit in the clubhouse watching a recording dial on the wall. But if the players have to go on playing, it should be possible to heat the ball electrically on cold days.

An omelette

THE infant Gargantua would have bellowed with joy, in a voice loud enough to be heard from the Fagade to the Alberes and from the Morbihan to the forest of Huguenaud, if he could have got hold of the omelette. I have just read of "A forty-foot frying-pan was used, and 2,100 eggs were stirred by five chefs with garden rakes." That is the way to live!

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

TUESDAY, JULY 27

BORN today, you have a well-balanced nature—a combination of sensitivity, caution, and strong will. You know how to concentrate on your objective, have a keen sense of humor, good judgment, and a wide variety of interests. You are also a good listener, and you can also enjoy the moment of life—good food, fine clothes and social pleasures. It is this last which can cause trouble. "Today day" is a popular with members of the opposite sex, you might forget the more serious aspects of life—your career—in seeking fun. Curb this tendency—just enough to get the proper amount of work done. Then, when you are ready for success, you have considerable originality. But test your ideas for their feasibility before you go all out on them. Otherwise you may find that you are wasting your efforts. In other words, learn to be critical when it comes to making a choice.

between two or more plans because, once you have decided which course to follow, you concentrate to a very high degree. You have the ability to make money but you also have a sensitive genius for spending it. Consequently, no matter how much you make, you will never be very rich unless you mend your ways and force yourself to save for that proverbial "rainy day." If you do that, then that day may never come.

Among those born on this date were: Hamilton Fisher, artist; Archimedes, Greek mathematician and physicist; Vladimir de Pachmann, Russian pianist; and Hilarie Belloc, British author.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—If perplexed over a matter, call in an expert and get competent advice right away. (1)

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Be progressive these days. A new and original idea can have important impact upon your future. (2)

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—If you have not accomplished as much as you'd hoped this month, there are still a few days left! CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If you have friends relying upon you, be sure to offer your help graciously. (3)

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—If perplexed over a matter, call in an expert and get competent advice right away. (1)

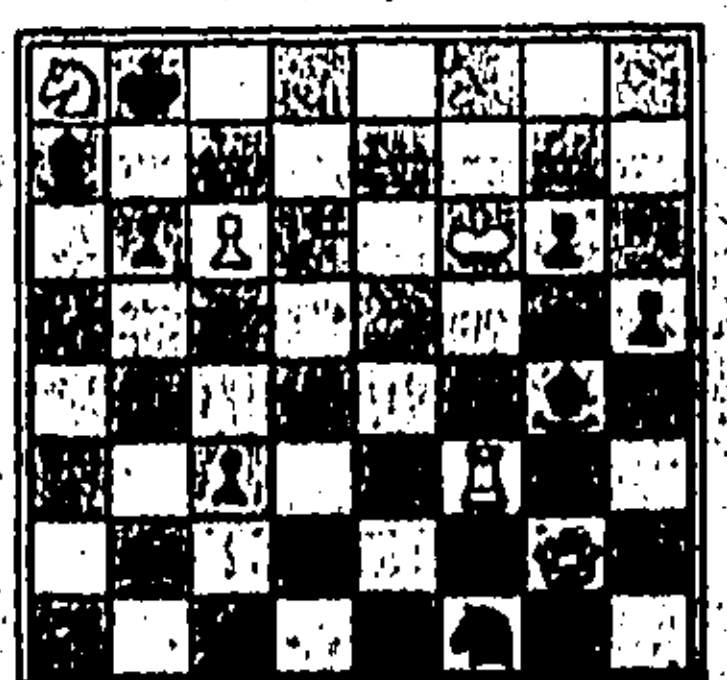
PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—There are exceptionally fortunate aspects in this day for all your activities. Accomplish something important. (4)

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Caution in matters of great importance is advised. Watch the trends sharply, avoiding any pitfalls. (5)

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 20)—You may be looking forward to an extended vacation, so make all your plans well ahead of time. (6)

CHESS PROBLEM

By J. KRIVOLAVKOV
Black: 8 pieces.



White, 5 pieces.
Solve in three moves.
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CANADIAN JUMPER



Miss Shirley Thomas, 18-year-old member of the Canadian equestrian team, takes a jump on her horse, Revlon White Sable, while practising at London's White City Stadium for the International Horse Show that was held there last week. She is also to compete at the Dublin Horse Show on August 3-7 and at Blackpool on August 10-13 with the first equestrian team from Canada to go abroad in 21 years.—Reuterphoto.

Brilliant Recovery By Souza And Hong Choy In Open Pairs Match

By "TOUCHER"

Trailing behind by 2-13 on the 8th head, George Souza and George Hong Choy of Craigengower staged a brilliant recovery in the closest of yesterday's Colony Open Pairs Lawn Bowls Championship matches to eliminate Kowloon Cricket Club's Tommy Lock and C. W. Lam by 19-16.

The winners set a new high in the number of consecutive scoring heads when from 2-13 they piled up 13 shots in eight successive heads to pass their opponents at 16-13.

At the end of the 19th head the score was 16-15. A three on the 20th head put Hong Choy and Souza into safe waters and enabled them to limit their opponents to one shot in the final head to win by 19-16. In two other matches played, the best win was registered by Hector's P. G. Luz and R. M. V. Soares who produced a mild upset when they defeated Bowling Club's G. C. Norman and A. Harvey by 22-11. On an adjacent rink, Revere's C. E. Pascoe and F. X. M. Silva defeated K. A. Baker and A. G. Gardner in a fairly comfortable win. At Filippino Club, Les Parker and Joe Meyer succumbed to the more experienced Joe Landolt and A. C. Sequeira by the lopsided score of 29-14.

THE RESULTS.

The following were the results: G. Hong Choy and G. A. Souza beat T. Lock and C. W. Lam 19-16. L. C. Parker and J. G. Meyer lost to J. S. Landolt and A. C. Sequeira 14-29. C. E. Pascoe and F. X. M. Silva beat K. A. Baker and A. G. Gardner 23-14. G. C. Norman and A. Harvey lost to F. G. Luz and R. M. V. Soares 11-22. The match between Frank Howarth and M. E. Purvis against H. A. Osorio and A. M. Souza was not played.

TODAY'S GAMES

The following are the Colony Open Pairs Lawn Bowls Championship matches scheduled for this afternoon: At KBGC: J. N. Wong and W. Hong Sing v. J. Kelleher and E. Munson; J. Chui and T. B. Baker v. J. M. Gutierrez and B. P. F. Marques. At KCC: E. M. Carvalho and H. J. Noronha v. C. P. Basto and

ESPLEN CUP MATCH ON FRIDAY

Advice from the Hongkong Lawn Bowls convenor in England, Mr. W. E. Hollands, has been received to the effect that arrangements for a series of bowls matches have been completed for this week and will culminate with the annual competition for the "ESPLEN CUP" between Hongkong and Wansstead Bowling Club on Friday, July 30.

The fixtures were arranged as follows: Monday, July 26—Hongkong v. Wansstead. Tuesday, July 27—Hongkong v. Wansstead. Wednesday, July 28—Hongkong v. Wansstead. Thursday, July 29—Hongkong v. Wansstead. Friday, July 30—Hongkong v. Wansstead for the "Esplen Cup".

The following players are expected to be present, and available to play for the Colony: R. Meadows, E. N. E. Stirling, C. S. Moore, R. Fitzmaurice, Mansell "Finn", Tuck (ex-Reverend Office), T. C. Reynolds, B. M. Drabury, W. E. Hollands, L. G. Young, M. A. Ramchand, C. E. Torry, A. V. Gosano, H. B. Dewar (team captain).

Only three rinks will appear each day, including the official rink.

The Distillers BC requested a game against Hongkong bowlers, and this fixture will, in all probability, become another annual game.

SWEDEN BEATS FRANCE 5-0

Sweden, who yesterday gained a winning lead, today completed a 5-0 win over France in the European Zone final of the Davis Cup tournament today.

Sweden's first set, Leif Johansson beat Paul Remy 6-3, 6-4, 6-5. Second set, Davidsson defeated Robert Haillet 6-4, 6-5, 6-3. Sweden thus won the American Zone in the Davis Cup final, the first of the Davis Cup final.

TAKE BEDSER AND LOADER ON THE MCC TOUR OF AUSTRALIA

Says DENIS COMPTON

Not so long ago the heart-ory in English cricket was—"Where can we find a fast bowler?" How the situation has changed! We have Freddie Trueman, Peter Loader, Brian Statham, and Frank Tyson, of Northants, all challenging for places in the side to tour Australia. Add to the list the names of Alec Bedser and Trevor Bailey and it is certain that we can field an all-out speed attack that I would bank on to rival anything Lindwall, Miller and Co. could produce.

As captain of the Players, I can speak only in the most glowing terms of Peter's fast bowling, which brought him seven Gentlemen first-innings wickets, and more honours in the second on a pitch which caused a great deal of early awkwardness.

MARKED ADVANCE This was only the second time I had seen Peter bowl since he took my wicket in both innings the first time I met him at Lord's in 1952.

I remembered what a good prospect he looked then, but this year he has made a marked advance even on previous form.

Two years ago Peter was fast, but for only a short spell, and he did not present the same danger when brought on to bowl a second or third time.

A big need, obviously, was to build up his strength and stamina. He spent all the winter tree-felling with Surrey captain Stuart Surridge.

The result was shown last season when he took 80 wickets cheaply and, in one spectacular run of three matches in July, dismissed 34 batsmen for 271 runs.

Even so, he could not gain a regular place in the county side, and when he went to India with the Commonwealth Team in the winter he was still regarded primarily as a Surrey reserve.

In India, Loader captured more wickets than anyone in the party and, more important, he proved thoroughly that he could bowl for long periods in the most trying heat. Peter came through such a severe testing ground as India so well provided ample proof that, despite his still rather slender frame, he would not be troubled by weather and wicket conditions in Australia, which, although trying, are less so than in India.

Circumstances dictated that I gave Peter a good bowl against the Gentlemen, and the way he went to work with infectious enthusiasm and not the least sign of flagging must have impressed everybody as much as it impressed me. Peter is the type of bowler who deliberately avoids his captain's eye—for fear he should be taken off! That's the man for me.

Through the air he is not quite so fast as Brian Statham, but Godfrey Evans found that he came so quickly from the pitch that he had to stand just as far back for him as for Brian. Speed off the pitch is a priceless asset.

Contrary to some opinion, Peter bowls the away-swing as well as the in-swing, and varies his pace extremely well, with a particularly good slow ball, and his bouncer, which he uses with discretion, is fast enough to be decidedly unpleasant.

As for his accuracy, the fact that for most of the time I was able to give him a close-cut field, without a third man or deep fine leg, should have spoken for itself.

One of Peter's minor, but very understandable, faults is an inclination to "prss" a little when bowling to the tailenders.

In striving for that extra fraction of speed, he sometimes loses command of direction, but I am sure he will soon realise that his best method is to bowl lightly within himself when the rabbits are even the ferrets—those who go in after the rabbits—are at the wicket.

NOTHING WRONG. I imagine that one of the few cricketers who can be considered a certainty for Australia is Alec Bedser, but I see nothing wrong with taking an opening bowler, not always picked for the same county side as well.

After all, Bill Farnham, Lancashire, undertakes to George Duckworth, accompanied him to South Africa in the 1930-31 tour and kept in two Tests.

Frank Tyson, of Northants, who, like Peter Loader, must be well in the running for a place in the side to Australia, had a similar toughening-up course of tree-felling on Stuart Surridge's farm last winter.

All those who have played against him this season tell me that he, too, can now keep going at full speed much longer.

In fact, the general opinion among cricketers is that Tyson is the fastest bowler they have played against since the war, including Ray Lindwall and Keith Miller of Australia.

One of the objections of the armchair critics to Tyson is that he does not move the ball much. My view is that if a bowler is fast enough, and reasonably accurate, speed is his all-powerful weapon, to which anything else becomes secondary.

—(London Express Service)

No Play In Third Test At Old Trafford

Manchester, July 26.

Yet once again this most dreary of English summers has caused the total loss of a day's play at Old Trafford in the third Test match between England and Pakistan.

Rain poured down this morning and again this afternoon, to turn the pitch more into the likeness of a quagmire than a cricket ground. Indeed, conditions were so bad that even if the improbable should happen and the sun make a belated appearance cricket may still not be possible tomorrow.

So far only 10.4 hours' play has taken place in this match instead of the scheduled 24, and no one, least of all the England team, will begrudge the Pakistanis their luck if they escape with a draw.

When the captains, Shepherd and Kardar, called off play today, they did not even leave the pavilion. They were just finishing lunch, but pools of water dotted the turf and they agreed it would be farcical to wait any longer.

It is difficult to forecast what effect the rain would have on the wicket in the event that play is possible tomorrow. The downpour has been so heavy and continuous that it may well have made the wicket completely unresponsive to England's spinners, Wardle and McCann.

In such an event Pakistan may still but their way out of trouble in the now limited time still to go, although the road ahead must remain a long and thorny one.

Financially the results have been disastrous. So far only £5,500 have been taken from advance bookings and admission money instead of the anticipated £20,000.—France-Press.

COUNTY CRICKET

London, July 26. England's county cricket was dealt a unexpected blow by weather today. Five matches were abandoned for the day without a ball bowled while only 50 minutes' play was possible in the game between Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire at Ilkeston.

It was a brighter story from the West Country. Almost a full day was possible at Glastonbury, where a fine century by Nevill Rogers, who carried his bat for 125, enabled Hampshire to take a first innings lead of 36 over Somerset.

It was Rogers' second century of the season. Curiously, he carried his bat on the previous occasion.

He scored all but 56 of the 172 added today to Hampshire's Saturday and anything loose was immediately dispatched. At the crease for 5½ hours, he hit 21 fours.

Australian Jack McMahon, the Somerset left-arm spinner, as one time sent down 11 maiden overs in succession. In all, he conceded only 48 runs in 37.5 overs.

A start was possible after tea at Bristol, where Gloucestershire, with an 18-run first innings lead over Sussex with eight wickets remaining, found conditions difficult with a drying pitch and declared at 205 for nine, giving them a lead of 183.

LOSE OF PLAY SCORES

At Blackheath: Surrey 387 versus Kent. No play today because of rain.

At Northampton: Middlesex 309, Northamptonshire 27 for no wicket. No play today because of rain.

At Bristol: Sussex 83 and 22 for one. Gloucestershire 200 for nine declared. No play was possible before the tea interval because of rain.

At Glastonbury: Somerset 185 and 36 for one. Hampshire 221 and 36 for one. Lawrence, right-arm leg-break, four for 44.

At Ilkeston: Derbyshire 218, Nottinghamshire 65 for one. Rain stopped play for the day for one. Gloucestershire 200 for nine declared. No play was possible before the tea interval because of rain.

At Colchester: Glamorgan 362 for five versus Essex.

At Sheffield: Worcestershire 103, Yorkshire 122 for four (Wilson not out 51).

At Birmingham: Warwickshire 273, Lancashire 15 for no wicket.

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League Tennis

Hongkong University clashed with Craigengower Cricket Club in a postponed Men's "C" Division Group "B" tennis league match at Happy Valley yesterday, and emerged losers by 2½ sets to 6½.

Although the result of this match has no bearing on the final result of the division, University has been unfortunate in having to play all their games away.

This has been necessary owing to the fact that the courts of Pokfulam are being reconstructed, and are unavailable for league matches, until next season.

The following are the results: CCO Beat HKU 4½-2½. H. Lee and B. D. Yip (HKU) lost to K. K. Chow and L. Liang 5/7; beat S. A. R. Bue and K. C. Fung 6/2; beat O. Sedick and H. Dierker 6/4. H. Lee and W. C. Ho (HKU) lost to Chow and Liang 2/6; drew Sedick and Dierker 2/6. S. L. Ma and Y. S. Muir (HKU) lost to Chow and Liang 0/6; lost to Bue and Fung 5/7; lost to Sedick and Dierker 1/6.

EMPIRE GAMES COMPETITORS



Four of the competitors at the British Commonwealth and Empire Games at Vancouver. Left to right: Terry Fisher of Northern Rhodesia, javelin thrower, Jean Desforges, hurdler and long jumper (captain of the English women's team), Edna Maskell of Northern Rhodesia, sprinter and hurdler, and Mrs. Sheila Lerwill, former world record-holder in the women's High Jump.—Reuterphoto.

Britain's Team For The European Athletic Championships At Berne

Britain has named 38 men and 17 women for the European Athletic Championships at Berne, Switzerland, from August 25 to 29. The only notable absentee is Gordon Pirie, who has a foot injury.

In Pirie's absence, Fred Green, the British Champion, and Chris Chatway, joint world record-holder for Three Miles, will challenge the Czech Olympic Champion, Emil Zatopek, over 5,000 Metres.

Peter Driver, Pirie's clubmate and National Six Miles title holder, and Frank Saebo will oppose the Czech in the 10,000 Metres event.

LOST TITLE Britain will lose one title by default—the High Jump—as no representative will be sent. At the last Championships in Brussels four years ago Alan Paterson, now in Canada, won at 6 feet 5½ inches.

One title will be defended, Brian Shenton, Yorkshire holder of the AAA 220 Yards crown, won the 200 Metres in Brussels and he is again running in this event.

Yards title-holder, competes in the 100 and 200 Metres.

Roger Bannister, third in the European, 800 Metres won by John Parlett at Brussels, will run this time in the 1,500 Metres.

Sheila Lerwill will defend her High Jump title in the women's competitions and Diana Leather will spearhead the British attack in the 800 Metres.

Her chief opponent is certain to be Nina Olenok of Russia, who recently broke Miss Leather's world record for 880 Yards by three-fifths of a second with 2min.8.4sec.

THE TEAM. MEN. 100 Metres: G. S. Ellis (London AC), A. W. Lillingston (Durham Univ. AC). Reserve: K. J. Box (Liverpool H. & AC).

200 Metres: G. S. Ellis (London AC), B. Shenton (Polytechnic H. & AC). Reserve: K. J. Box (Liverpool H. & AC).

400 Metres: R. G. Bannister (Achilles Club), I. H. Boyd (Berne Hill H.). Reserve: D. C. Law (Achilles Club).

800 Metres: B. S. Shenton (Achilles Club), F. G. Fryer (London AC). Reserve: F. P. Higgins (Southgate H.).

1,500 Metres: B. S. Shenton (Achilles Club), F. G. Fryer (London AC). Reserve: D. C. Law (Achilles Club).

5,000 Metres: C. J. Chataway (Achilles Club), F. Green (Durham Univ. AC). Reserve: R. Bannister (Achilles Club).

10,000 Metres: P. B. Driver (G. London H.), F. D. Sando (Aldershot PMAC). Reserve: K. E. Norris (Thames Valley H.).

Marathon: J. H. Peters (Essex, Reigate), E. L. Smith (Leeds Harriers H.).

10,000 Metres Walk: B. Hawkins (Metropolitan WC), G. W. Coleman (Highgate H.). Reserve: N. Small (Portsmouth Athletic).

50 Kilometres Walk: F. G. Bailey (Polytechnic H.). Reserve: J. Johnson (Sheffield United H.).

100 Metres Hurdles: P. B. Hildreth (Polytechnic H.), F. J. Parker (South London H.). Reserve: C. E. E. Higham (Achilles Club).

400 Metres Hurdles: H. Kane (London AC), R. D. Shaw (Achilles Club). Reserve: D. M. Gracie (Glasgow University AC).

3,000 Metres Steeplechase: J. I. Disley (London AC), K. E. Johnson (Leicester College of Art and Technology). Reserve: P. Vaulk—G. M. Elliott (RAF Woodford Green AC).

1 Mile: A. R. Crutten (Brighton AC), K. S. D. Williams (Waltham AC). Reserve: H. P. S. S. D. Williams (Waltham AC).

Shot Put: M. Pharoah (Waltham AC), J. A. Savidge (RNAC South & London AC).

Discus: H. P. S. S. D. Williams (Waltham AC), K. E. Johnson (Leicester College of Art and Technology).

100 Metres: J. Armitage (Longwood Ladies AC), P. Devine ("Q" Club, Dundee). Reserve: S. Hampton (Phoenix AC).

200 Metres: H. J. Armitage (Longwood Ladies AC), P. Devine ("Q" Club, Dundee). Reserve: S. Hampton (Phoenix AC).

400 Metres: L. D. Leather (Birchfield H.S.), A. Oliver (Birchfield H.S.).

800 Metres: L. D. Leather (Birchfield H.S.), A. Oliver (Birchfield H.S.).

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Fanling Golf

W. Balfour (39 points) was the winner of the Fanling Golf competition played over the Old Course at Fanling during the weekend. Y. T. Tsang, being runner-up with 37 and E. C. Brown in third place, with 35 points.

Medal Scores were: Y. T. Tsang—37-20=Nett 57; W. Balfour—40-11=Nett 49; E. C. Brown—45-15=Nett 30.

AT DEEP WATER BAY The 8th Annual Golf Open was held at Deep Water Bay Course on Sunday, November 8. The early start was made by the members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club to make the most of the date and keep the rain off.

SWEDEN BEATS FRANCE 5-0

Sweden, who yesterday gained a winning lead, today completed a 5-0 win over France in the European Zone final of the Davis Cup tournament today.

Sweden's first set, Leif Johansson beat Paul Remy 6-3, 6-4, 6-5. Second set, Davidsson defeated Robert Haillet 6-4, 6-5, 6-3. Sweden thus won the American Zone in the Davis Cup final, the first of the Davis Cup final.

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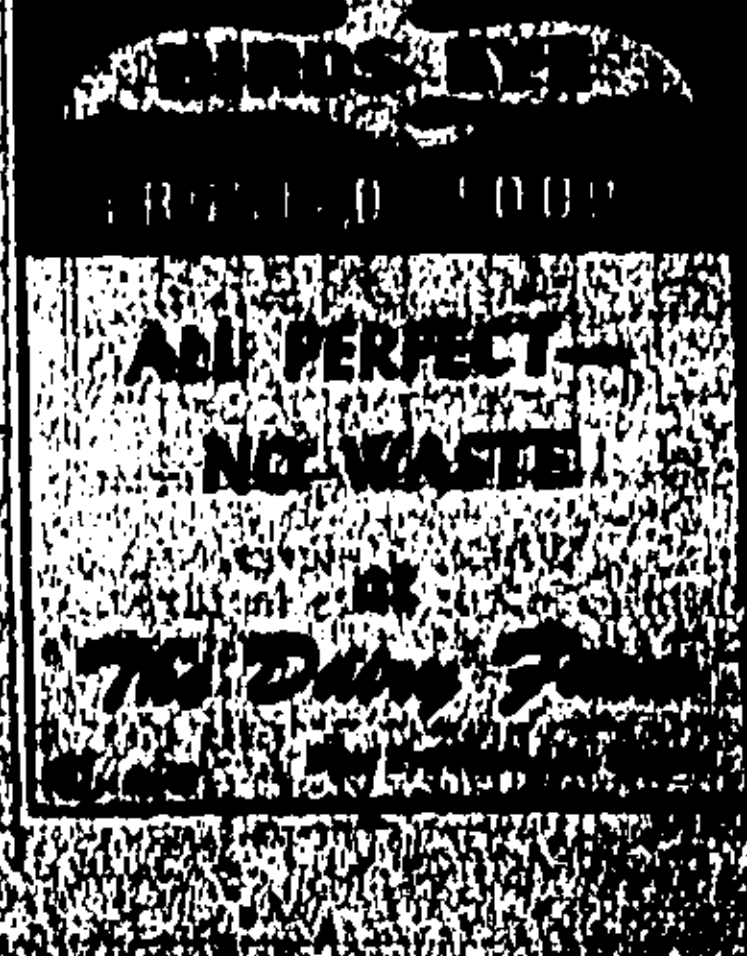
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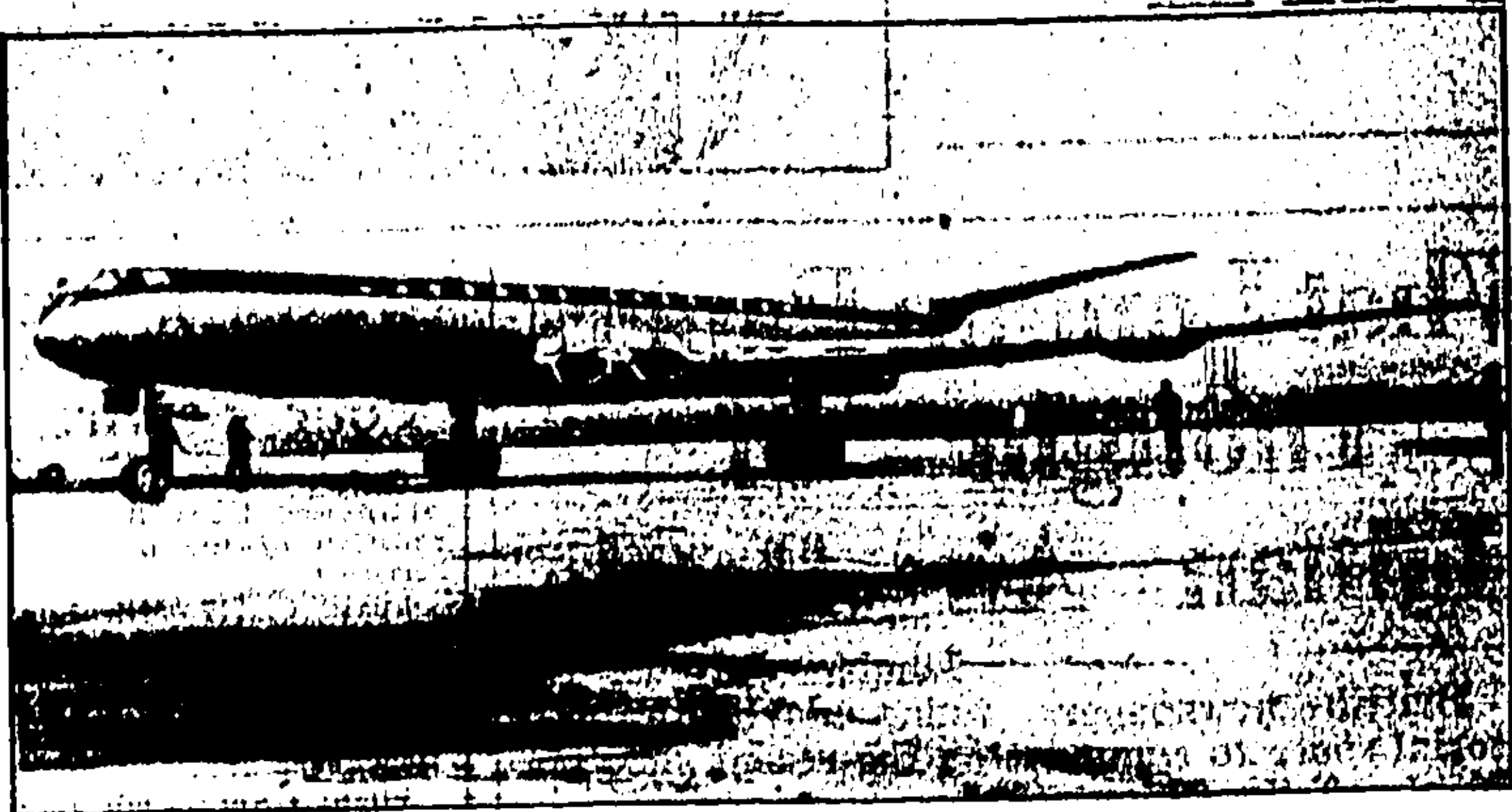
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Our Weekly Aviation News



The Comet III jetliner as it emerged from its hangar at de Havillands to undertake its first flight tests on July 19.

British Jet Engine Powers Newest U.S. Midget Fighter

The Comet III made its maiden flight on July 19, but two years of testing will be necessary before the plane goes into service with airlines. Flight tests have been authorized and if 10 hours are done the public may get a chance to see the Comet at Farnborough next September.

The Vickers Viscounts more passengers than any other plane. The last of the three Princess flying-boats is to be completed shortly, but its future is at present unknown. A British-designed jet engine powers the U.S. Navy's newest midget fighter. It is the American version of the Armstrong-Siddeley Sapphire.

A British-designed jet engine powers the U.S. Navy's newest midget fighter, the Douglas A4D Skyhawk.

The aeroplane, half the size of most current jet fighters, is fitted with a Wright J-65 jet engine.

This is the American version of the British Armstrong-Siddeley "Sapphire," one of the most powerful jet engines in the world.

Like many other British engines, it is being manufactured under licence in America, bringing dollars to this country. The Skyhawk is designed to operate from many carriers or from short land bases.

Although it is small it can carry all the modern fighter's weapons, including atom bombs. Because it is small, the new baby A-bomber does not have to have folding wings like most carrier-borne aeroplanes.

Its combat range is greater than bigger existing piston-engine naval attack aeroplanes. In the bigger aircraft range Douglas has just produced a new twin-jet reconnaissance bomber in the well over 600 mph class.

This aeroplane, the RB-66A, made its first flight a few days ago with test pilot George R. Jansen at the controls. The bomber is designed for the United States Air Force.

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The de Havilland Comet 3 took the air for the first time on Monday, July 19, for an 18-minute test flight from Hatfield, Bedfordshire. The company's chief test pilot, Group Captain John Cunningham, was at the controls.

The new Comet 3 airliner is a logical development of the basic Comet design. It has a longer fuselage than the earlier machine, and can accommodate up to 78 passengers. Power is provided by four Rolls-Royce Avon engines. Each of which gives 10,000 lb of static thrust, and cruising speed will be at least 500 mph.

The Comet 3 is designed to fly at an all-up weight of 145,000 lb and to cover stage lengths of 2,500 miles with reserves of fuel to allow for diversion due to weather.

An interesting feature of the new aircraft is its wing, which follows the same design as that of the Comet 2, but has been enlarged. In view of the increased all-up weight, this wing gives improved take-off performance as compared with the Comet 1, reduces the landing speed, and also provides the slow-moving characteristics. The measure of its success can be judged from the fact that on the Comet 2 it was impossible for the wing to be stalled during take-off.

As with other jet engines, the new Comet 3 will also be able to operate at high altitudes, and its high speed will enable it to complete its journey in less time than a conventional propeller-driven aircraft. In fact, the Comet 3 is equivalent to a Concorde in its performance.

calculated that 97,000 passengers a year could be carried over the Atlantic by a fleet of five Comet 3s—nearly 20,000 passengers per aircraft.

The prototype Comet 3 which has just flown is owned by the Ministry of Supply. Orders have been received for three of the production version from Pan-American World Airways. Air India have ordered two, and BOAC will take delivery of five. Panair do Brasil, the world's sixth largest airline, have an option for two, and have also placed an order for four Comet 2s.

The total value of the ten Comet 3s ordered by the airlines to date is in the region of £7,500,000. In addition the total number of 'options' for Comet 3s is fourteen, of which seven are for Pan-American and five for BOAC.

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Aer Lingus, Eire's national airline, is finding that its purchase of Vickers Viscount turboprop aeroplanes is bringing results.

When the company decided to buy four Viscounts, it was faced with a big problem. Most of its services are on high-frequency routes, but the traffic is largely seasonal. Consequently, although the airline was sure of being able to fill its new aircraft in the summer months, there was inevitably a risk of empty seats in the winter. But as the Viscount can operate economically even when only about half the seats are filled, the company decided to go ahead.

Now the traffic returns are showing that this policy was justified. In April and May its Viscount services attracted more passengers than in the comparable months of 1953. In June, the company carried more passengers than in any previous month, and the Viscount services recorded the largest increases. Aer Lingus flies Viscounts from Dublin to Paris, London and Amsterdam; the estimated June traffic on these flights was exceeded by 1,000 passengers.

British European Airways, which has put a number of Viscounts into service on its international routes, has found that in the financial year 1953-54 it was able to offer 10 per cent more capacity than in 1952-53, largely as a result of the new aircraft.

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BBA carried 23 per cent more passengers on its international services in 1953-54 than in the preceding year, but this figure was not due to the new aircraft, but to a 14 per cent increase in aircraft miles by 7 per cent, which gives some idea of the operational economy of the turboprop airliner.

Much of the Viscount's success is due to its engine. The Rolls-Royce Dart, which is a new but not new design, was fitted to the Viscount. It was producing 1,000 hp, and was able to give the aircraft a climb rate of 3,000 ft per minute. The Dart is a new design, and its success can be judged from the fact that on the Comet 2 it was impossible for the engine to be stalled during take-off.

Even the 506 is not the last word where the Dart is concerned. By the summer of 1955 Rolls-Royce will begin production of the Dart II.D.6, which gives 1,550 hp for take-off and yet more cruising power combined with greater economy.

The development of turbine blades which are more efficient than their predecessors is one reason for the Dart's improvement. A better reduction gear has produced the increased take-off power. This reduction gear will have the added advantage of giving an even lower noise-level at cruising speed. As many experienced passengers already prefer to travel by Viscount because it is conspicuously better than piston-engine aircraft where vibration and quietness are concerned, it is evident that future Viscounts will provide a remarkable standard of passenger comfort.

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The last of the three massive 140-ton Saunders-Roe Princess flying-boats is to be completed shortly, and the future of the aeroplanes—the biggest built in Britain—is uncertain.

The whole project is likely to be shelved for about two years until more suitable engines are available for the aircraft.

The aeroplanes were estimated to cost £2,800,000 when they were ordered in May 1946. But this figure was based on more than £10 million by June 1950, largely through engine development costs.

When the hulls of two of the fleet were finished, their 22,000 square feet were wrapped in eight tons of plastic cocoon covering and parked at Calshot, overlooking Southampton on the Water, the biggest "parcels" in the world.

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Helicopters are too costly and at present unsuitable for surveying, spraying and dusting crops in colonial territories.

Colonial Secretary Lord Selkirk has advised that single-engine helicopters were unsuitable for surveying, crop-spraying and dusting forest fire patrols and other uses in the colonies.

No such advice, said Mr. Profumo, had been given. Helicopters, he said, were at present costly and less suitable than conventional aircraft, but practically all the uses mentioned. Operating single-engine helicopters involved a high degree of risk, and the single-engine aircraft would make search and rescue operations "difficult and expensive."

Then Mr. Dodds told Mr. Profumo that a company called F&E Control had done more surveying in the colonies than any other, and that single-engine aircraft were suitable for this purpose.

Mr. Profumo, replied, that the company was not a company, but a group of individuals, and that the Government was not prepared to contract for this purpose.

Heavy Motoring Assists Oil Companies

By John Morka

New York, July 25.

The U.S. oil industry—plagued by too much supply, too little demand—had something to cheer about this week as heavy summer motoring and price cuts brought a welcomed drop in the nation's petrol stocks.

Inventories of petrol were pared to 161,790,000 barrels in the week ended July 19, although stocks were still 19,596,000 barrels above a year ago. The oil industry, beset by heavy inventories of petrol and other refined products, recently reduced its refinery runs an average of 152,000 barrels a day to 4,960,000 barrels daily, compared to an average of 5,000,000 barrels a day a year ago.

Meanwhile, three other major firms—Gulf Oil Corporation, Cities Services Co. and Pure Oil Co.—added their names this week to the expanding list of firms who have announced production cutbacks. Pure Oil scheduled a 20 per cent reduction in Cities Service 18,000 barrels daily in some refineries, Gulf over 30,000 barrels under previously scheduled rates.

The glut of oil products has had a depressing effect on oil securities generally, although there appears to be nothing to suggest any further falling of oil shares. Some Wall Street experts have noted a noticeable drop in buyer interest in oil shares. Major stocks holders, such as investment trusts, have in some cases been reducing their oil holdings, it was said.

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According to Business Week magazine, crude producers have lost about a third of the 23.5 per cent gain for 1954 run up by the end of May.

Integrated oil companies average lost more than a quarter of the 25.1 per cent gain for 1954 that it had before June. Out of a list of 38 oils picked at random, Business Week noted that only one was holding to its 1953 high.

The others were down in a range from 3 per cent to 18 per cent from their year's peaks. It added: "The same list of 38 stocks revealed another significant weakness. Despite all the 1954 strength of the industrial averages and the big part played by the oil in the surge, actually only half of the 38 oils were able to exceed earlier registered highs for the 1949-54 bull market. What's more, the 19 that didn't make it were averaging about 18 per cent below the highs they set in 1952 or 1953."

Shares of the auto industry—similarly hampered by over-supply—are also under pressure in the minds of investors. An analysis of the short position on the New York Stock Exchange reveals that four of the eleven largest positions were in automobile stocks. The short positions as announced this week by the Exchange moved to a new 22-year high of \$3,047,444. Major part of the 224,000 share interest was accounted for by General Electric and Packard.

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RE-PURCHASE HOPE

The increase in the short position means that sellers hope to re-purchase at lower levels and thus make a profit on the transaction. This reflects a growing pessimism in the stock. Auto sales have slumped in recent weeks, with output ahead of demand. Last year the gap was nine per cent. But overall stocks still continue to be a major worry for many auto makers, with reports current that many cars are being sold at reduced prices.

Latest developments of the week in brief: Publicly linking cancer with smoking appeared to have little effect on earnings of two major tobacco companies. Net sales of American Tobacco, said, fell 10 per cent higher in the second quarter of this year as compared with the March quarter. Net profits of Liggett & Meyers Tobacco Co. in the second quarter were equal to \$1.20 a share compared to \$1.20 in the first quarter. Analysts for the June half of 1954 reveal that generally profits are above last year's levels, due mainly to the lifting of the export ban on tobacco. Sales appear to be under last year's levels, although the year-end picture is not yet clear. The tobacco industry is expected to be a major factor in the 1954 Government budget.

synthetic rubber plants appeared to be lagging, reports the Journal of Commerce. All told, 35 prospective buyers have made 75 separate bids for the 300,000,000 synthetic rubber industry, which will be turned over to private interests. Of the 27 plants, offered for sale, only five drew more than one bid, while 19 drew only a single bid per plant. The remaining three drew no bids at all.

The Government has been banking on a surge of competitive bidding to insure a high price for its facilities. The National Foreign Trade Council said the decline in U.S. business activity this year should cut imports \$800,000,000 in a total of \$10,500,000,000. Although its earlier prediction issued last January, U.S. exports this year should exceed 1953 levels by 100 million or more, the Council said in its mid-year review. U.S. shipments to foreign countries—exclusive of military aid—programmed—will reach \$12,500,000,000.

FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Foreign countries improved their gold and dollar reserves by 700 million in transactions with the U.S. in the first half of 1954, and this rate of accumulation should continue for the remainder of the year. This would bring reserves for the year as a whole to \$1,600,000,000 to \$2,000,000,000. This figure would be lower than the 1953 record. This year's decline was attributed by the Council to increased dollar purchases in the U.S. from abroad.

There was another indication this week of President Eisenhower's apparent reluctance to boost tariffs under the so-called "escape clause" as recommended by the Federal Tariff Commission. Under the escape clause American industry can ask for relief from foreign competition through higher import duties or other restrictions. This week, the President was to act on a tariff Commission recommendation that tariffs on zinc and lead imports be boosted 50 per cent over the 1945 levels. The President's action in extending final action beyond the customary 60-day period was interpreted as another indication of his determination to deal with "escape clause" recommendations for additional tariff increases, where possible.—United Press.

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CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, July 26. With all deliveries of soybeans up the 10-cent a bushel daily limit throughout the session on the Board of Trade today, buyers spilled over to other grain futures and supported them at the day's best levels.

The main factor in active demand for soybean and corn futures reflected continued lack of moisture over the farm country in the Mid-West, and the official weather forecast predicted little or no rain during the next 30 hours.

Wheat closed up 1 to 3 1/2 cents; soybeans up 10 cents (the daily limit). At Winnipeg, wheat was priced at 18 1/2¢ for No. 3 Northern, and for No. 3 it was at 18 1/2¢.

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CHICAGO PRICES

Chicago, July 26. Closing Prices: Wheat, No. 2, red 10 1/2¢; No. 2, white 10 1/2¢; No. 3, white 10 1/2¢; No. 3, red 10 1/2¢; No. 4, white 10 1/2¢; No. 4, red 10 1/2¢; No. 5, white 10 1/2¢; No. 5, red 10 1/2¢; No. 6, white 10 1/2¢; No. 6, red 10 1/2¢; No. 7, white 10 1/2¢; No. 7, red 10 1/2¢; No. 8, white 10 1/2¢; No. 8, red 10 1/2¢; No. 9, white 10 1/2¢; No. 9, red 10 1/2¢; No. 10, white 10 1/2¢; No. 10, red 10 1/2¢; No. 11, white 10 1/2¢; No. 11, red 10 1/2¢; No. 12, white 10 1/2¢; No. 12, red 10 1/2¢; No. 13, white 10 1/2¢; No. 13, red 10 1/2¢; No. 14, white 10 1/2¢; No. 14, red 10 1/2¢; No. 15, white 10 1/2¢; No. 15, red 10 1/2¢; No. 16, white 10 1/2¢; No. 16, red 10 1/2¢; No. 17, white 10 1/2¢; No. 17, red 10 1/2¢; No. 18, white 10 1/2¢; No. 18, red 10 1/2¢; No. 19, white 10 1/2¢; No. 19, red 10 1/2¢; No. 20, white 10 1/2¢; No. 20, red 10 1/2¢; No. 21, white 10 1/2¢; No. 21, red 10 1/2¢; No. 22, white 10 1/2¢; No. 22, red 10 1/2¢; No. 23, white 10 1/2¢; No. 23, red 10 1/2¢; No. 24, white 10 1/2¢; No. 24, red 10 1/2¢; 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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK FRED STARTS AFRESH

KINDNESS lies close beneath the surface of any London crowd, and when the stream of shop-walkers who thronged Oxford Street saw Fred stretched out full-length on the pavement, writhing as if he were in terrible pain, there were many who ran to his aid.

And when they stopped to him, and he hoarsely whispered: "Give me a copper or two, lady, and I'll be all right," there were several generous enough to produce the remedy Fred prescribed for himself.

The ruse, indeed, was highly successful, and might have gone on for some time, had a policeman not appeared and arrested Fred for begging.

ONE SIDE OF THE PICTURE

NEXT morning, at Marlborough Street, Fred, a bald, chubby man, was found guilty. He was remanded in custody, and it was not until the following week that much of his story was told.

Then, a policeman went into the witness-box first and told one side of it. There were 15 previous convictions against Fred, he said, and read details of the last three—two for begging, one for stealing a bottle of milk—each of which had cost him a month in jail.

The policeman stood down, and Mr. Charles Morgan, the probation officer, took his place. "This man is 68, sir," he said to Mr. Geoffrey Raphael, the magistrate.

AND THE OTHER

"He volunteered and served 12 months in the 1914-15 war, and though he was over 50 volunteered for the RAF in the war, and served a year before being discharged on medical grounds.

"Some years ago his wife left him, and it is from that time that his troubles started. Till then he was in fairly regular work, either in the mining or shipbuilding industries. But now it is so long since he had a regular job that he doesn't qualify for a pension until he is 70."

"What he should do is go into the institution," said the magistrate.

"Yes, sir, but he's a man of some independence. What he wants to do, if the court is lenient, is to get out of London down to Kent, where he's had jobs before. When he works, he's a good worker."

THE PROUD TIE

"MR MORGAN," said the magistrate, "I'm quite sure, in spite of your blandishments, that if I let this man go, he'll get into trouble."

Fred pulled at the knot of the tie he wore, as though it were throttling him. It was the tie of the famous corps in which he had served in the 1914-18 war, an ancient tie that had been carefully preserved.

EXCITING

"Will you go to the hostel and stay there," said Mr. Morgan, as if, remembering how well Fred had served the community in the mines, and by two wars—before his wife left him, he wanted to spare him the indignity of the institution.

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

Be Careful Before You Buy A Second-hand Car

From H. King Wood

Sydney, July 23. This week a string of battered cars — and almost equally battered drivers — returned to Sydney so ending the Round-Australia Reliability trial.

We are not too sure what it all proved, except perhaps that some drivers are tougher than others, that some cars stand up better to conditions which cars don't normally have to encounter anyway, and that the roads away from the cities and main towns are shocking.

Maybe the manufacturers will learn something from it all but our bet is that the long, wearing run won't have the same novelty for many next year.

It would be well, too, for anyone with thoughts of buying a second-hand car in the next few weeks to get expert advice. You can see the ads now. "For Sale—late model sedan car, almost new, only done 9,000 miles. One owner." Under the gleaming new coat of duco could be all the signs which denoted a Redex entry.

NIGEL THE NAG

A group of Sydney University students last week nominated Nigel Conrad for a seat on their august Representative Council.

Nigel's name appeared on the ballot paper and — in race-course jargon — fairly romped home. Which was appropriate enough — for Nigel Conrad is the University horse.

His name, however, was known to only a few students and his votes were genuine enough — so much so that the authorities had to declare the election null and void.

SHEEP RUSTLERS

Detectives believe that well-organised gangs have stolen sheep valued at about £30,000 in the rich Riverina district in the last 12 months. The detectives believe that the gang operates at night in high-speed transport trucks which carry up to 200 sheep.

Police have covered hundreds of square miles in their investigations in the last eight weeks. It is believed that the gang takes only a few sheep from each paddock, herding them into semi-trailers with the aid of dogs.

Everything is more or less in their favour—sheep dogs always work silently, graziers count their sheep only at infrequent intervals, and so many transports are now running around the back country at night (when roads are clear) that an extra one loaded with sheep arouses no suspicion.

THAT LEAGUE TEST

It is estimated that thousands of pounds changed hands in various ways at the final league test between England and Australia last Saturday.

Those who made the most money were the scalpers who charged £2.10 for £1 tickets. Others sold empty fruit cases to people who could not find seats and two men trundled empty beer cases from one of the bars to sell them for 10s in impromptu stands.

MONEY IN POLITICS

This time next month, the Labour Lord Mayor of Sydney, Alderman Pat Hills, will be the highest paid Labour man in Australia.

Alderman Hills, still only 36 in the first of his three-year term as Lord Mayor, for which he gets £5,000 a year, with an extra £2,000 for his year because of the Royal Visit.

On Saturday, he won a pre-selection ballot to stand for a vacancy in State Parliament. The seat is one of Labour's safest and the Party's candidates have always been returned by huge majorities—whenever anyone is game to stand against them. As a member, Mr. Hills will receive £2,000 a year, and as he has announced that he intends to run out his term as Lord Mayor he will be getting a nice £7,000 a year.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Of course, Paris was lovely—but you know I don't believe the ice cream there compares with ours!"

Still 150 British People Left In Shanghai Six More Arrive Today

The Butterfield and Swire steamer Pakhoi brought 18 more North China residents from Shanghai, including six Britons this morning.

The Britons were Mr. A. R. Ross, of Jardine Matheson and Company in Shanghai, and his wife and daughter, Mr. E. Hayim, a retired merchant, Mr. John Alfred Brockett, of the Cathay Cold Storage Company Limited in Shanghai, and his wife.

ASIANS WELCOMED

The Minister for External Affairs, Mr. R. G. Casey, said this week that Asian students were welcome at Australian universities.

He said there had been critical references to Asian students in a section of the press during his absence abroad. He added that some of the Asian students were here studying under the Colombo Plan, but the majority came privately to take advantage of the educational opportunities which were not sufficiently available in their own countries.

"Far from being critical of their presence, we greatly welcome them," he said. "Not only does the Government welcome them but the universities and colleges are glad to have them." The Minister added that the great body of Australian university students and public showed the most friendly attitude towards the Asian students.

BACK TO ENGLAND

The old cruiser, Shropshire, has been sold to an English company for breaking up.

The ship, which will be sent from Europe to the shipbreaking yard at Inverkeithing, Scotland. A crew will also be sent from England to man the vessel during the tow, which is expected to take up to 14 weeks.

General manager of the Australian agents for the purchasing company, Mr. J. G. Fuller, said he was particularly delighted that Shropshire would not go from Australia to Japan.

Mr. Fuller was a prisoner in Malaya during the war. "Practically all ships sold from Australia to overseas interests for breaking up have been sent to Japan, through American interests at Manila," he added.

He added that since the war his company had broken up the battleships Rodney, Nelson, Revenge, Royal Sovereign, aircraft carriers Formidable and Argus and the cruiser London.

FOUR FRENCH SOLDIERS KILLED

Boscon, July 26. Four French Union soldiers were killed and two wounded today by an explosion during a mortar attack on the Viet Minh camp near here.

The soldiers were members of the Third Battalion of the 8th Infantry Regiment. An inquiry has been opened into the incident—France Press.

What London Papers Thought Of Hainan Air Battle

London, July 27. British newspapers today devoted much editorial space to comment on the recent shooting incidents off the China coast.

The mass circulation Daily Mirror displayed most of its front page with big type asking "Whose finger on the trigger?"

Referring to the latest shooting, this newspaper said there was no reason to doubt the American claim that the Chinese Communist fighters fired first.

"Here in brutal simplicity is the kind of explosive situation that is always liable to boil up in a cold war world." The editorial added that the Churchill Government had done all in its power to lower international tension and Britain's finger was certainly not on the trigger.

"Is Russia's? Is America's? We do not think so. The whole world is surely determined to avoid a hot war. But we are tired of the cold war and nerves are jumping."

TRIGGER-HAPPY The Western nations were entitled to make the bold statement that every incident which might have sparked off a third world war had so far been caused by the Communist Powers.

The Daily Mirror added: "There are forces at work in the world trying to secure half a century of peaceful existence"—and not all these forces are on the other side of the Iron Curtain.

"Molotov says that he believes in co-existence. So does Chou En-lai. Then let them, on their side, create the conditions and atmosphere. Let them school their own trigger-happy underlings in what 'peaceful co-existence' there must be no more prying in the Chinese skies."

UNFORTUNATE

The Conservative Daily Telegraph said that in view of China's apology it was unfortunate that the American action in providing fighter cover for rescue work should have resulted in another shooting affair.

"If the Communists think that they can exploit the two incidents to play off Britain against America they may be relied upon to do so," the editorial went on.

"Indeed the Chinese attitude over the Skymaster may perhaps be a tactical follow-up to Geneva rather than a change of heart."

"We should not be in too much of a hurry to hail it as real evidence of mellowing in one part of the Communist world."

ESSENTIAL FACTS

The Liberal Manchester Guardian said that before barking at the Americans for their belligerence a few essential facts should be recalled.

"First, no survivors of the British plane shot down by the Chinese would have been saved if American aircraft had not come to the rescue."

"Secondly, after an incident in which the Chinese air force had shown itself to be criminally careless, to say the least, the United States authorities were right to provide fighter escorts for their slow rescue aircraft. To do otherwise would have been folly."

"Thirdly, the two Chinese aircraft which were later shot down probably did attack the American planes first."

SPARKS FLY

An unanswered question was why, three days after the original attack, American planes were still ostensibly searching for survivors in the vicinity of Hainan Island.

"While the American authorities behave as though the Chinese Communists ought to be slapped down on every possible occasion, sparks are bound to fly and may start great fires," the editorial concluded.

The Conservative Yorkshire Post said an appeal should be made to statesmanship in Peking in an attempt to bring to a proper discipline and the barbaric outrages of wild Chinese air-men.

American pilots were "abundantly right" in opening fire, the editor wrote on.

PAID FOR MURDER

The right-wing Independent Daily Express said: "Plainly the Chinese are out to test the American strength of purpose. They are trying to see how far they can go. And in so doing they expose the worth of their bombs and bullets."

"Britain should stand firmly alongside her American ally."

C.P.A. Cancel Four Services

Cathay Pacific Airways announced today the cancellation of the following services:
Flight CX127—28th July—Hongkong / Bangkok / Singapore.
Flight CX728—29th July—Singapore / Bangkok / Hongkong.
Flight CX333—30th July—Hongkong / Bangkok / Rangoon/Calcutta.
Flight CX334—31st July—Calcutta / Rangoon / Bangkok/Hongkong.
It is anticipated that normal schedule services to Singapore and Calcutta will be resumed next week.

S.C.M.P. Fund For Kowloon Fire Victims

Further generous donations have been received for the Fund opened by the South China Morning Post Ltd. in aid of the victims of the disastrous fire at Tai Hang Tung in Kowloon.

The South China Morning Post Ltd. will be pleased to receive and acknowledge further contributions.

Cheques should be made payable to the "Tai Hang Tung Fire Relief Fund" and all donations, however small, will be acknowledged.

Envelopes should be clearly marked "Fire Relief Fund."

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Mr. & Mrs. B. T. Flanagan	100
Previously acknowledged	US\$100 and \$68,931
Total at 11.30 p.m. today	US\$100 and \$42,031

One parcel of clothing from Mrs. M. Alvarez.

World Fears Over Air Clash

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Incident would start a new armed conflict in the Far East, just yet. Observers deplored the fact that the incident should have happened and pointed out the greater-than-ever need for a quick Southeast Asian alliance bolstered by the Western Powers.

Local Filipino observers agreed that the air battle would generate a dangerous situation in the Far East and be of particular concern to this country.

JAPAN'S FEAR

Tokyo, July 26. Japanese circles expressed fear today that the shooting down of two Chinese Communist fighters by U.S. carrier planes may possibly destroy whatever gains made by the Indo-China armistice in relaxing Asian tensions.

While preferring not to comment officially until complete details of the incident are available, they predicted undoubtedly that the action would not win the U.S. any new friends in Asia.

THE LAST THAT CAN NOW HAPPEN

The last that can now happen, they pointed out, will be a spirited propaganda campaign by the Chinese Communists, asking the American warplanes of an unwarranted attack on Red planes.

The attack, Radio Peking and other Red Chinese outlets are expected to claim, was a deliberate provocation in the Hainan area.

RADIO HONGKONG

H.K.T. Time Signal and Program Service, 403, NBC Band, said by Harry Morrison (BBC) 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.15, 2.30, 2.45, 3.00, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.00, 4.15, 4.30, 4.45, 5.00, 5.15, 5.30, 5.45, 6.00, 6.15, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.15, 7.30, 7.45, 8.00, 8.15, 8.30, 8.45, 9.00, 9.15, 9.30, 9.45, 10.00, 10.15, 10.30, 10.45, 11.00, 11.15, 11.30, 11.45, 12.00, 12.15, 12.30, 12.45, 1.00, 1.15, 1.30,